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Treasure of the Hills Senior Center

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Carolyn White

Can you believe 3 months of this year have already gone by! Spring is Here!!

Welcome to all our new members last month. We so enjoy meeting new people.

Our activities seem to be picking up and we are having a nice turnout for Soup Day and Breakfasts. A gentle reminder, when playing games, be sure you include new members as well as other members. It has been mentioned that some are being left out and we want to make sure we make all welcome at all our activities.

The Cedar Park Chamber of Commerce is starting up their monthly luncheons and we will be attending those again. Our representative for this will be our Publicity & Public Awareness Chairman, Phyllis Walker. She's going to do great getting our name back out there.

Don't forget to sign up for your activities, as well as soup and breakfast days. If you have a new game that you love to play and we don't offer it, come teach us how.

Our dues are back to our regular price of \$25.00. I enjoy being your President and working with the terrific Board of Directors that we have. We welcome any ideas for our "new" center.

VP NOTES

by Denny Clauson

New Members! Just a suggestion now that we are opened again after COVID: invite friends and neighbors to give us a try and join TOTH. The City of Cedar Park says there is a huge growth in people 60+ moving into area. Let's contact them and let them know we are here.

JEWELRY / CRAFTS

by Mary Riordon

We continue to have jewelry sessions on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday, 10-12, in the TOTH library. We have a large collection of donated jewels and there is NO fee to join the fun.

Crafts will be on the 2nd Wednesday, 10-12, in the TOTH library. In April, our project will be Easter oriented, with supplies provided.

CRAFT SALE AT TOTH

On May 21, 10-12 (after the Saturday breakfast), we will have a MEMBER CRAFT SALE at TOTH. Vendors will each have a table and be responsible for their own sales. 80% of the money taken in will remain with the vendor and the other 20% will be given to TOTH as a fund raiser. We have several interested vendors, so sign up in the reception area to save your space. We can set up after bridge on Friday or early Saturday morning. I am the organizer, so check with me if you have questions: 512-260-8876 (this is a landline so NO texts, please).

A CAPELLA TEXAS

by Frank Mignoli

This is the first live performance by A Cappella Texas in over 2 years. It's also a belated 60th Anniversary of the their formation. We have a great show planned for your entertainment. So hurry and get your tickets now and support this very deserving organization. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit accappellatexas.org.



FROM THE DIRECTOR

by Lisa Leirvaag

According to our database, our membership has decreased considerably since 2020. Some groups like Monday Night Bridge, Game Night, and bridge on Thursday morning no longer exist. Tables Choice on Wednesdays and Pinochle on Fridays have also fizzled out. Bunco every first and third Wednesday afternoon had to be cancelled several times because not enough people signed up. I remember when there were four or five tables playing Canasta on Tuesdays. Now, with luck, there are two tables.

One of the problems, of course, is that members don't sign up, or sign up and then are not able to show up. Games like Bunco and Canasta very much depend on a certain number of players. Therefore, I want to ask everybody who is interested in those games to PLEASE sign up, call to sign up, or call to cancel if for some reason they can't make it after all. Also, if only five, six or seven come for Canasta, PLEASE be inclusive! I know Texas Canasta can be played with five and six persons. Since you can play Canasta with five, it should be possible to adapt the rules to play with three. We also have rules for two-handed Canasta. All it takes is some imagination, flexibility and a little bit of magnanimity.

Remember, there are other games in the closet, like dominoes, Rummikub, Scrabble and Skip-Bo. Why not try something different for a change? It beats going home again and not playing anything at all.

According to Aristotle, "Happiness Depends Upon Ourselves.

Last but not least, I want to thank all those old and new members that are donating their time, knowledge and expertise to volunteer. YOU ROCK!

I wish every one of our members a wonderful and happy Easter! May the Easter Beagle bring you loads of joy and goodies!



TOTH BOARD NOTES

by Beverly Ball

Spring Greetings Members!

We're progressing with several ongoing tasks. Our President, Carolyn White, has been working many hard hours to make TOTH the best possible, especially since Lisa's absence this month. We appreciate her and all of the other volunteers!

Dick Planck is retiring soon, but is vigilant in maximizing our budget and training J C Henderson to replace him as Treasurer.

Denny Clauson, VP has visited the Cedar Park Recreation Center to work on plans for our Senior Expo August 13th. Lisa has sent out letters to vendors and responses are coming in.

Frank Mignoli has said that Pat Fiero is heading the kitchen staff now and is a great asset. He is considering "Soup Day" becoming "Salad Day" and making it on Tuesdays beginning in May. There was minimal interest in resuming potlucks; so we won't be having those at this time. We need a minimum of 16 people to sign up for meals by the prior Thursday in order to purchase supplies and to make it cost-effective.

Floresa Williams was sworn into the Board of Directors on March 14th. She expressed interest in working with Phyllis Walker, our Publicity Chairman promoting TOTH in our community. Brochures will be updated and distributed to various senior centers and residential buildings. Phyllis and Carolyn enjoyed a networking luncheon with the Cedar Park Chamber of Commerce. Phyllis, Lisa and Katie have been busy with TOTH website updates. Phyllis has also reached out to the CP Regional Medical Center representative, Mary Clare Spear, Ms. Kilgore and others.

Jim Anderson has been working with Lisa Leirvaag and some of us on grounds beautification. Please let him know if you would like to help. (830) 469-7864.

Mark your calendars for Mary Riordon's group fundraiser, May 21st from 10 to noon, after the Saturday breakfast. Vendors (members only) will have tables set up in the back room to give opportunities for purchasing novel craft items to benefit TOTH. Cash or check; no credit cards please.

IN MEMORIAM

Sue Witovec
Trudy New



TREASURER'S REPORT

by Dick Planck

Our income for February was \$3,092.99 and expenses were \$4,023.09. The main sources of income were \$2,187.50 from rental revenue from the church and \$487.50 from membership dues.

Major items of expense were:

Managing Director - \$909.33

Janitorial - \$909.33

Our investments decreased in value by \$1,693.42



CALENDAR NOTES

The Board of Directors meeting is on the 2nd Monday (April 11th), with the Executive Committee meeting the previous Thursday (April 7th).

Jewelry Making classes will be on the first and third Wednesdays at 10 (April 6th and 20th), and Crafts class is on the second Wednesday at 10 (April 13th).

Soup Day is Monday, April 18th at 12.

Breakfast Day is Saturday, April 30th at 9.



SENIOR EXPO

by Phyllis Walker

Save the Date! Treasure of the Hills Senior Center will sponsor its 2022 Senior Expo in conjunction with Seniorific News and the City of Cedar Park on

Saturday, August 13, 2022

Cedar Park Recreation Center

1435 Main Street

From 9:00AM to 1:00PM

Expo is FREE ADMISSION!

SOUP LUNCH AND BREAKFAST BUFFET

by Pat Fiero

Our soup lunch and breakfast buffet are back! This is a wonderful opportunity to get in on an inexpensive meal and some great fellowship. All you need to do is sign up in the office, or call and ask that your name be added to the list. The deadline is 3 days prior to the event. **If we don't have at least 16 people sign up, the event will be cancelled. Your money will be refunded if you paid in advance.**

The April Soup Day is Monday April 18 at noon. The menu is Pasta Fagioli, garlic bread and dessert. Drinks will be provided. The member cost is \$4.

The April Breakfast Day is Saturday April 30 at 9:00 a.m. The member cost is \$5. The buffet includes eggs, bacon, sausage, hash browns, biscuits and gravy, and pancakes. Juice and coffee are also offered.

We encourage you to bring a guest or your whole family! Just be sure to get them signed up. Guests and non-members pay \$1 extra.

We always welcome volunteers to help with setup and cleanup. You don't have to cook (unless you want to!). This is a good time to meet fellow members. If you come and work, your meal is on the house.

We look forward to seeing you.



COVID-19 UPDATE

by Frank Mignoli

COVID-19 Cases and Vaccinations

We have quickly moved from Stage 5 to Stage 2 of Risk of COVID-19 in Austin. Is the pandemic over? Some people think so.

In Area O, the parameter of 7-day average number of daily new hospital patients as of March 16 was <25 at 17 new COVID hospital patients daily or Stage 3. Area O consists of 11 counties including Travis and Williamson counties. These two largest counties represent 75% of the population of the 11 counties. Based on this these two counties could be in Stage 2, while the whole 11 counties are in Stage 3.

Another parameter to determine the stage of risk is the Community Transmission Rate (CTR). It is measured using the 7-day daily average of new cases divided by the result of dividing the total population of the community by 100,000. As of March 16th Travis and Williamson County values were @ 19.4 and 16.9 respectively. Travis County and Williamson County are in Stage 3 based on this parameter, but well on their way to Stage 2.

Vaccination Data

As of March 16th, total vaccinations for the following are:

	Texas	Travis Co.	Williamson Co.
One Dose administered	20,547,000	1,015,300	452,100
Fully Vaccinated	17,360,000	877,500	398,200
Booster Shots	6,409,800	393,800	172,500
% of Fully Vaccinated	36.9%	44.9%	43.3%



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Sudoku

Place the digits one to nine so each appears once in each row, column, and 3x3 cage.

Anagrams

Rearrange the letters to form common words.

1. NCEULHNO
2. HNAGYTNI
3. NERTVLEUO
4. ETKNCIH

(Answers on page 5)

FEBRUARY BREAKFAST

by Frank Mignoli

Twenty-two (22) members and guests sat down and enjoyed breakfast on Saturday, February 26th. We served from the warming table. The menu included scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, hash browns, pancakes, biscuits and sausage gravy, accompanied of course by coffee and juice.

We plan to keep breakfast simple but with a variety of choices. We welcome suggestions like jelly/jam for the biscuits, real sausage bits in the gravy and ketchup for the scrambled eggs. (We may throw in a surprise some months!)

The kitchen staff of Pat Fiero, Jim Anderson and Frank Mignoli prepared the food. Pat knows her way around a kitchen as she headed up a school cafeteria for many years and currently is preparing meals for three elderly persons. Lisa Leirvaag cleaned up our mess and then she and Gail Brennen sanitized the dishes and cleaned up the kitchen. A thank you goes to the attendees for helping clean up and for putting away the tables and chairs.

As you all know, food prices have risen but we will try to keep the prices at \$5 for members and \$6 for guests. By making wise choices in our purchases and minimizing the leftovers, we should be able to attain this goal. Also, **we must have a minimum of 16 paid patrons to maintain our goals.** Don't forget to sign up and pay in advance. Breakfast is the fourth Saturday of the month at 9:00 AM.

TREASURE OF THE HILLS DEMOGRAPHICS

by Frank Mignoli

Comparison 2011 vs 2019 vs 2022

The table below shows where the TOTH members live and how the population has varied over time.

Address	Feb. 20, 2011		Feb. 20, 2019		Feb. 28, 2022	
	Members	%	Members	%	Members	%
Austin	38	20.1	38	11.1	22	10.5
Cedar Park	112	59.3	200	58.3	125	59.5
Lago Vista	9	4.8	15	4.4	11	5.2
Leander	17	9	71	20.7	38	18.1
Round Rock	6	3.2	8	2.3	3	1.4
Others	7	3.7	11	3.2	11	5.2
TOTALS	189	100	343	100	210	99.9

Total membership has dropped significantly since the pandemic to about 10% more than 2011. The percentage of Cedar Park residents has remained the same at around 59% and basically the percentage distribution has not changed much since February 2019.

(Answers to
puzzles on
Page 4)

Sudoku

6	1	4	5	3	7	2	9	8
8	9	7	4	1	3	2	6	5
3	6	2	8	9	5	4	1	7
9	5	3	7	6	4	1	2	8
4	8	7	2	9	5	1	3	6
2	6	1	3	7	8	4	9	5
1	3	2	4	5	6	7	8	9
4	6	5	7	8	9	1	2	3
7	8	9	1	2	3	4	5	6

Anagrams

1. LUNCHEON
2. ANYTHING
3. VOLUNTEER
4. KITCHEN



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Janelle Boatright	01
Ann Bordelon	01
Joyce Francis	03
Fez Lashley	06
Roe Lloyd	07
Janet Lobsenz	08
Mary Kate Woodruff	09
Paula Kenmuir	13
Phil Duprey	16
Sally Ladyman	16
Herb Zwernemann	16
Karen Aitchison	17
Liz Hagler	17
Ed Williams	21
Adelene Ceschin	24
Denny Clauson	26
Sandy Silver	26
Jean Wiedenfeld	26
Eileen Martin	28
Deb Joel	29



APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

Barbara and Jim Glonek	10
Jacquee and John Guida	15
Mary and Ken Williams	20
Eileen and Bill Brown	28

Thank You from Carolyn Altman
Heartfelt thanks to the wonderful people of TOTH and elsewhere for the phone calls, cards, thoughts, and prayers sent to me for my recent diagnosis and treatments. Continued thoughts and prayers for all those in need. Love and blessings to all of you.



NEW MEMBERS

Mary Applegate
Liz Arce
Carolyn and David Brewer
Barbara Glonek
Bob MacFarland

RETURNING MEMBERS

Cheryl Case
Janet MacFarland

LOST AND FOUND

Just a reminder — there's a Lost and Found list posted in the reception area; it currently shows a ring with the inscription PEACE, an earring, and a Medical Alert Guardian. If you are missing one of these things (or something else!) please check with the receptionist.



FROM THE EDITOR

by Barbara Duprey

Wow, lots going on this time! You've probably noticed one name occurring repeatedly — about food, statistics, and even music! Thanks, Frank. We really appreciate your contributions.

Please send feedback on the Gazette to bduprey@austin.rr.com.

A hug for you, my friend



Carolyn Altman

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Philip MacDonald
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J C Henderson



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ACTIVITIES

Breakfast*: Pat Fiero,
Frank Mignoli
Salad/Soup*: Frank Mignoli
Golf: Frank Mignoli
Sit & Fit:
Rich Stone, Pat Fiero
T'ai-chi *: Dr. Tom Barrett
Crafts/Jewelry Making *:
Mary Riordon



GAMES

Bingo
Monday: Barbara Duprey
Friday: Joe Gleaton
Bunco *: Carolyn White
Canasta *: Bobbie McKissick
Cribbage: Stan DeRocher
Mahjong: Georgia White
Pinochle: Jeanne Allison
Poker: Jerry Rubin
Table's Choice *:
Bobbie McKissick

BRIDGE

Duplicate Bridge *
1st & 3rd Tuesday:
Sheila Perkins
Friday: Ken Birdwell
3rd Friday: Charlene Palmer
Saturday: Carolyn Patrick
Rubber Bridge *
Tuesday: Ed Williams,
Beverly Ball

* Signup Required

Contact information for these
members is available —
call 512-331-6000.

April 2022

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Please Remember:

Sign in and out
Sign up for classes
Missing something? Check the Lost and Found!

Gazette Deadline —
17th of each month



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